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FOIA Specialist Environmental Protection Agency Region 6 Main Office 1201 Elm Street, Suite 500 Dallas, Texas 75270 Via Electronic Mail

RE:

Breakaway barges within the Houston Ship Channel Date of Incident: September 20, 2019 Our File No. 23512

## To Whom It May Concern:

Please accept this letter as a request under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. Sec. 552 and Texas Public Information Act. We represent the interests of Cheryl K, LLC and the San Jacinto River Fleet, LLC, regarding an event that occurred on or about midnight of September 19/early morning of September 20, 2019, when two barges (the CBC 1403 and the CBC 193) contacted the I-10 bridge at the San Jacinto River ("the incident"). Please note that as used herein, the term Superfund site refers to the toxic waste site/waste pits located in the San Jacinto River just north of the I-10 Bridge. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act and Texas Public Information Act we kindly request copies of the following information:

- 1. Please produce the entire investigation file regarding the incident from September 15, 2019, through October 23, 2019.
- 2. Please produce all evidence regarding any damage and/or disturbance to the Superfund site allegedly arising out of the incident that you have identified during the period September 15, 2019, through October 23, 2019.
- 3. Please produce all press releases, emails, notifications, and correspondence regarding any alleged damage and/or disturbance to the Superfund site allegedly arising out of the incident provided to the Harris County Attorney, Harris County, Texas, the City of Houston, the United States Coast Guard, Coastal Water Authority, Texas General Land Office, Texas Health and Environmental Alliance, San Jacinto River Coalition and/or the Harris County District Attorney's Office during the period September 19, 2019, through October 23, 2019.
- 4. Please produce any and all data, reports, remedial design plans, correspondence, construction logs, and specifications exchanged between or among the San Jacinto River Coalition, Texas Health and Environmental Alliance, Harris County, the Harris County Attorney's Office, Texas Department of Transportation, United States Coast Guard and EPA regarding the Superfund site during the period September 19, 2019, through October 23, 2019.

- 5. Please provide all data, reports, remedial design plans, correspondence, costs, construction logs, change orders, and specifications relating to a Superfund site construction protection plan (i.e., protective perimeter, rock berm, pilings or otherwise) drafted, considered or prepared during the period August 25, 2017, through October 23, 2019.
- 6. Please produce the entire investigation file regarding any release of toxins from the Superfund site for the period August 25, 2017, through October 23, 2019.
- 7. Please produce the entire investigation file regarding any release of toxins from the Superfund site following the tractor trailer incident at or near the I-10 Bridge at the San Jacinto River for the period June 1, 2019 through October 23, 2019.
- 8. Please produce any and all data, reports, and correspondences between the San Jacinto River Coalition, Texas Health and Environmental Alliance, Harris County Fire Marshal Office, Harris County Hazmat Team, Harris County Sherriff's Department and EPA regarding the Superfund site following the tractor trailer incident at or near the I-10 Bridge at the San Jacinto River for the period June 1, 2019 through October 23, 2019.
- 9. Please produce the design plans and specifications that the EPA has been working on since October 2017, with potential responsible third parties, including but not limited to International Paper Co., Memphis, Tennessee, and McGinnes Industrial Maintenance Corp., a subsidiary of Waste Management.

If necessary, we will reimburse you for your reasonable fees incurred because of this request up to the amount of \$1,750.00. We certainly appreciate your assistance and cooperation and we look forward to receipt of the information as soon as possible.

If you have any questions or comments regarding our requests, please do not hesitate to call us.

Very truly yours,

EASTHAM, WATSON, DALE & FORNEY, L.L.P.

/s/ Robert L. Klawetter

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